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"Kids on the Block" Help NLS/BPH Salute Year of the Young Reader

"The Kids on the Block" troupe helped celebrate the Library's nationwide salute to blind and physically handicapped children during "1989—The Year of the Young Reader."

More than fifty blind and physically handicapped schoolchildren from the Washington and Baltimore metropolitan areas were the first participants in a nationwide salute to "1989—The Year of the Young Reader," as the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS/BPH) launched a series of events around the nation.

The children received colorful print and braille readers' cards to show that they are users of the free Library of Congress braille and talking book program.

"This personal reader card reaffirms our nation's goals for all young readers, as stated by President Ronald Reagan and the

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Congress in passing Public Law 100–162, proclaiming 1989 as the Year of the Young Reader," Frank Kurt Cylke, director of NLS/BPH, said.

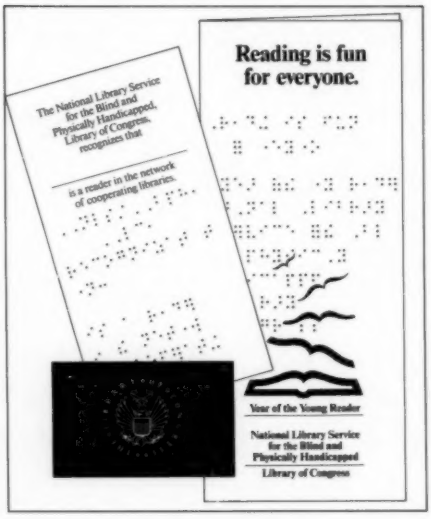
The noon program at the Library's Taylor Street Annex on January 26 featured acclaimed children's writer Eloise Greenfield, who read selections from her work. "The Kids on the Block," a troupe of puppets portraying disabled and non-disabled children, presented a special program.

Barbara Cheadle, president of the Parents' Division of the National Federation of the Blind, stressed the importance of reading in the lives of children and the role braille and audio books play in unlocking the door to literacy for blind and physically handicapped children.

The event marked the beginning of the national distribution of readers' cards to all participants in the NLS program who are 14 years old or younger. More than 20,000 young people will be reached individually and through local events across the nation during 1989. "The types of children who benefit from the NLS/BPH program are blind or disabled children and those who cannot actually hold books due to physical disabilities," Mr. Cylke explained.

The reader card project was the culmination of a year-long effort by a special interdisciplinary children's outreach committee formed by NLS/BPH staff members to develop and enhance services to children who read materials in special formats. Other materials developed in the past year include a variety of resources for parents, public librarians, NLS/BPH network librarians, and other professionals.

The chairperson of the outreach committee is Charlynn Spencer Pyne, children's librarian, Collection Development Section. Committee members include Margaret Cytron, assistant head, Publications and Media Section; Judith Dixon, head, Consumer Relations Section; Michael Moodie, assistant head, Production Control Section; Ruth Nussbaum, reference librarian, Reference Section; Miriam Pace, assistant chief, Materials Development Division; Freddie Peaco, volunteer/consumer specialist, Consumer Relations Section; and Stephen Prine, network consultant, Network Services Section.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is a reader in the network of cooperating libraries.
Reading is fun for everyone.
Year of the Young Reader
National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
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Reader's card (on the left) is shown with its presentation folder (right).

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Bruce Tapper, Editor

Library Marks First Day of U.S.'s Joining Berne Convention

A ceremony marking the United States' joining the world's oldest and most extensive copyright treaty, the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, took place at the Library of Congress on March 1.

Librarian of Congress James H. Billington spoke on the importance of joining the treaty, which came into force in the United States on March 1. Also speaking were Members of Congress who were instrumental in bringing about changes to U.S. copyright law which allowed the United States to join the Berne Union. At the ceremony, a person dressed as Mickey Mouse submitted the first creative work to be registered for copyright protection after U.S. membership in the Berne Convention became effective.

Adherence to the Berne Convention represents a major step towards improving protection abroad for some of America's most important new export industries—motion pictures, television programming, computer programs, sound recordings, music, and books. These works created by U.S. copyright holders will be protected in 25 countries for

the first time. Under a reciprocal arrangement, foreign works covered by the Berne Convention also will become eligible for U.S. copyright protection for the first time. Changes in U.S. copyright law that were necessary to allow the U.S. to join the Berne Convention also make it easier for creators to get and keep copyright protection. No longer will a copyright be lost, for example, if an author fails to include a copyright notice on a published work.

Joining the Berne Convention is fundamental to the effective suppression of piracy of American works abroad and the full exploitation of new global markets for copyrighted American works. The U.S. copyright law (Title 17, United States Code) is administered by the Copyright Office, which is part of the Library of Congress.

Chinese Periodicals In the Library of Congress

An 814-page bibliography titled *Chinese Periodicals in the Library of Congress,* compiled by Han Chu Huang and David Hsu of the Chinese and Korean section, Asian Division, has been published by the Library of Congress. This major volume, which records the Library's holdings of more than 8,000 titles of Chinese periodicals published from 1864 to 1986, contains 1,600 new titles since a volume of the same name was published by the Library in 1978. Many of the new titles are periodicals published in the People's Republic of China during a decade of vigorous expansion in the publishing industry following the conclusion of the Cultural Revolution in 1976.

Like its predecessor, this volume includes Chinese periodicals covering all subjects relating to the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and technology; it excludes Chinese legal serials in the custody of the Far Eastern Law Division of the Library of Congress, as well as periodicals in specialized fields of technical agriculture and clinical medicine which are held in the National Library of Agriculture and the National Library of Medicine, respectively. However, general periodicals in agriculture and medicine may be listed in this volume. Also not listed are the holdings of some 400 periodicals on microfilm or microfiche that are in the Chinese collection.

As in the earlier edition, a description of the entry format and instructions on how to use the bibliography appear in the explanatory notes prepared by the compilers. An added feature of this edition is that the location and call numbers of serials are provided.

The volume can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

Library's Chinese Section Celebrates 60th Anniversary

The Chinese Section in the Library of Congress Asian Division celebrated its sixtieth anniversary on November 18, 1988, with a seminar commemorating its founding.

More than 100 participants attended the sessions, moderated by Richard Howard, acting chief of the Asian Division. The subject of the morning panel discussion was the history and development of the Chinese collection at the Library of Congress, while the afternoon session was devoted to the Library of Congress and Chinese studies in the United States. The seminar was made possible in part by a grant from the United Daily News Cultural Foundation, Taipei, Taiwan.

Since the Chinese Section's inception, its collections have grown from about 100,000 volumes to the present total of 560,000 volumes. The collection includes the Library's two oldest specimens of printing—a small Buddhist invocation sutra on a scroll, printed in 975 A.D.; and a Chinese version of the *Lotus Sutra,* printed in 1050 A.D. It also comprises thousands of newspapers and serial publications, as well as microfilms.

Shown above during a luncheon held in the Madison Building's West Dining Room are Edwin G. Beal, Jr.; K.T. Wu; Chi Wang; Ambassador Hummel; Robert Sullivan, director for Acquisitions and Overseas Operations (now retired); and Richard Howard.

Library Publishes *Russia Looks at America: The View to 1917*

What do the Russians really know and think about America? How deeply rooted in history is this knowledge and thought? In a timely and important book, *Russia Looks at America: The View to 1917,* Robert V. Allen shares with the reader some concrete answers to these questions, focusing on the formative half-century between 1865 and 1917.

Dr. Allen, recently retired from the Library of Congress as the European Division's specialist on Russia and the Soviet Union, has a Ph.D. from Yale University in Russian history, with a minor in American history. His work placed him in daily contact for more than 30 years with the Library of Congress Russian collections, thought to be the largest anywhere outside of the Soviet Union.

Dr. Allen's sprightly and entertaining text is alive with remarkable passages that he has translated into English, from long-overlooked and sometimes obscure Russian books, journals, and pamphlets.

He explores five major themes of Russian fascination with America: America as a surrogate for utopia; American literature and film; American agriculture; American technology, methods, and education; and Russo-American diplomatic relations. There is also an annotated bibliography, confined to works most extensively quoted within the book, and a name index.

Russia Looks at America (1988; ISBN 0-8444-0593-0) may be purchased for $20 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (cite stock number 030-001-00128-8 when ordering).

–David H. Kraus

The Library of Congress observes
TWO HUNDRED YEARS
Congress

Congress Bicentennial Program

Exhibition

The Tides of Party Politics: Two Centuries of Congressional Elections, 1789–1989.

A display of one hundred maps of the congressional elections from 1789 to 1989, dramatizing the births, deaths, and shifts of political parties in the U.S.

Madison Foyer, to July 30.

Publication

Respectfully Quoted: A Dictionary of Quotations Requested from the Congressional Research Service.

A 520-page clothbound book, available by mail for $29 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (cite stock no. 030-001-0016 when ordering); also available in person in the Library's Sales Shop.

Tradition of Science Earns Praise

A recent Library of Congress publication, *The Tradition of Science: Landmarks of Western Science in the Collections of the Library of Congress,* has been selected by *Library Journal* (March 1, 1989) as one of the "Best Sci-Tech Books of 1988." Written by Leonard C. Bruno, senior science specialist in the Science and Technology Division, the book uses major works from Library of Congress collections to sketch the history of each scientific discipline.

Soviet Journal Seeks Articles by Americans

The Soviet bimonthly journal, *Sovetskaia bibliografiia (Soviet Bibliography;* which is sponsored by the USSR State Committee on Publishing, Printing, and Book Trade and the All-Union Book Chamber in Moscow–the Soviet national bibliographic agency) published an interview with Librarian of Congress James H. Billington in its July/August 1988 issue.

In follow-up correspondence, E.S. Nuridzhanov, editor of *Sovetskaia bibliografiia,* expressed an interest in publishing articles by American authors on bibliographic topics, including automation of bibliographic activities, retrospective conversion of bibliographic data, Russian- and Soviet-related library collections in the United States, and copyright issues. Articles may be submitted in either English or Russian, should be 18 typewritten pages or shorter, and should be submitted directly to E.S. Nuridzhanov, chief editor, at the following address: Vsesoiuznaia knizhnaia palata *Sovetskaia bibliografiia* Sushchevskii val, 64 Moscow 129272, USSR.

More on Hebraica Online

As a follow-up to the story that appeared in the LC *Information Bulletin* (February 20, p. 75) about Library of Congress contributions to the Research Libraries Information Network project, Hebraica Online–it has been brought to the editor's attention that an additional Library group participated. The Preliminary Cataloging Section of the Descriptive Cataloging Division performs most searching and initial online cataloging of Hebrew and Yiddish monographs.

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6th Annual Wellness Fair Scheduled for May 9

The Health Services Office will sponsor its sixth Annual Wellness Fair for Library staff members on Tuesday, May 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Mumford Room of the Madison Building.

Focus areas will include: nutrition, exercise, stress, family, image/style, heart disease, blood pressure, cancer, alcohol/drug abuse, infertility, CPR, arthritis, AIDS, bereavement, self defense, aging, diabetes, and Tai Chi. Various live demonstrations will be held throughout the fair.

For the convenience of the staff, the Health Services Office will sponsor a blood chemistry profile test. This will include: cholesterol (high and low density), lipids, blood sugar, and electrolytes. Participants will need to fast (nothing to eat or drink after midnight) until the appointed hour.

Appointments for this test can be made by completing the back of the forthcoming announcement and forwarding it to the Health Services Office, Room LM G40, no later than Tuesday, April 25. The cost of the test will be $10 for a profile and $15 for a profile and a CBC (complete blood count). Checks may be made payable to the National Health Laboratory.

Murray Association To Sponsor Membership Coffee

The Daniel A.P. Murray Association will hold a Membership Coffee on Thursday, May 11, for the benefit of those members who have paid 1989 dues. This year marks the association's tenth anniversary and promises to be an exciting one.

On April 1, the association and the Center for the Book sponsored a successful book signing party as one of its efforts to commemorate the Year of the Young Reader. The book signing party featured Cheryl and Wade Hudson, of Just Us Productions, and their publications *Afro-Bets Book of Black Heroes from A to Z, Afro-Bets Book of ABC's,* and *Afro-Bets Book of Numbers.* The association plans to host another children's book signing party and several history and genealogy information forums, among other events.

The Membership Coffee on May 11 will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. in Dining Room A of the Madison Building. Any Library staff member who wishes to join the association should contact Rosalyn L. Wilcots, membership chairperson, EO, LM 624, ext. 76134.

Phillip Shipp Promoted

Phillip Royal Shipp, Jr., senior specialist in social legislation, Office of the Associate Director for Research Coordination, Congressional Research Service (CRS), was promoted to deputy associate director for research coordination, effective December 5.

Dr. Shipp joined the staff of the Congressional Research Service in 1977 as a senior specialist in social legislation. He also served as the head of the Education and Public Welfare Division's Income Maintenance Section. He has conducted and directed interdivisional, interagency, and interdisciplinary studies for the Congress in the areas of social security, pensions, health insurance, welfare, and new Federalism initiatives. In 1984, Dr. Shipp was selected as executive director of the Congressional Panel on Social Security Organization.

In recognition of his many contributions to CRS, Dr. Shipp has received an outstanding performance rating and several incentive awards, including his most recent award for superior service.

Prior to joining CRS, Dr. Shipp served in several senior-level positions in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service, his last position at USDA being acting administrator with responsibility for overall program planning, policy development, and program operations for the agency. In addition to his work at USDA, he was budget examiner and senior analyst at the Office of Management and Budget, research director at the Urban Land Institute, and an economist with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Dr. Shipp received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Utah, and his master's and doctoral degrees in business administration with a concentration in financial economics from Indiana University. He took a leave of absence to return to the University of Utah for the winter quarter of 1987 as a visiting scholar in the Political Science Department.

Online Users Hear Talk On Circulation Control

Virginia Vitucci, senior systems analyst, Automated Systems Office, and Tom Smith, head, Circulation Section, Loan Division, described the development, capabilities, basic design objectives, and plan for phased implementation of the Circulation Control Facility (CCF) to the Online Users group on November 30. CCF was developed by the Automated Systems Office to

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support Loan Division circulation control activities and is intended to be the first step toward supplying the automated tools needed to support collection inventory activities at the Library.

From the mid-1940s through the 1960s there was a manual charge system at the Library. In the 1960s there was a punched card system for Federal libraries, the first real effort at automation. There was an attempt in the early 1970s to develop an in-house circulation control system. From 1983 to 1988, the ILS system developed at the National Library of Medicine (which became the OCLC LS2000 circulation module) was used as an interim system. Congressional charging was not automated at this time because ILS was a timeshare system and confidentiality could not be guaranteed. In 1983, analysis began on the current system, with delivery of the first phase being achieved in spring 1988.

The design objectives for CCF were that the system be easy to use, flexible, and that the software be easy to maintain and change. It was designed to use existing data when possible, such as bibliographic and patron information already in machine-readable files. Design features included standard program structure, standard screens, standard function key assignment, extensive online help screens, prompt messages and menus, and a MUMS data interface.

CCF is a mainframe system with online and batch components. Online subsystems include patron registration, collection item identification, loan check-in/check-out, and statistics display. Batch processes include loan status updates, patron updates, recall and overdue notices, generation of patron identification cards, and statistics.

This is the first major application at the Library of a commercially available relational database system, Datacom/DB. CCF is also the first administrative application to access MUMS data.

Testing of CCF began in late 1987 with the assistance of the Collections Management Division. Site preparation, staff training, and data coordination occurred during the test period. An effort was made to preregister as many users as possible. The production version was delivered in March 1988, but many patron records had to be edited before the final implementation could begin. The phased implementation approach allowed technicians to become more familiar with the new software and the new bar code linking process and allowed users to get accustomed to the new system. It also gave an opportunity to work out problems, such as slow response time and overly rapid generation of overdue notices.

The first phase implemented was external borrowing—interlibrary loans to foreign, domestic, and Federal libraries outside Washington, D.C. Lending was then extended to various walk-in categories and after two months was extended to Library staff members. Congressional borrowers were added during the first quarter of 1989. Research facilities and Library work units will be the last added; it is hoped that these can be accommodated by spring 1990. Eventually CCF may be available in reading rooms as a reference tool, in a view-only application which will only indicate that something is charged, but not to what category of borrower.

CCF satisfies the Library's unique needs—to serve Congress, which borrows approximately 35,000 items each year, and to serve foreign and U.S. scholarly needs through interlibrary loan. Total confidentiality of patron records is provided through security measures at the operator, terminal, and function levels. Bar code labels of archival quality are used to identify items in the Library's collection at the copy level. For full inventory control, machine-readable labels will have to be put on 25 million items and the labels linked to copy-level machine-readable data. Since August, 38,000 items have been bar coded and linked by the Circulation Section. Commercial circulation systems could not be used because of the volume of data, security requirements, and the need to accommodate data from Library personnel and bibliographic files. The Library of Congress card number is used in checking out items because it allows greater speed and fewer data entry errors. Data reflecting variations in the item in hand can be captured, as can information about items for which MUMS information is not available. For example, the book's condition can be noted by the technician so that the current borrower is not held responsible for prior damage. A back-up capability is being developed for use when the mainframe system is not available.

Richard Dean Honored For 30 Years of Service

Richard W. Dean, supervisor of the computer unit in the Cataloging Distribution Service (CDS), was presented a 30-year medallion by Librarian of Congress James H. Billington at the Librarian's Honor Awards Ceremony on January 25.

Mr. Dean attended La Plata High School in La Plata, Md., and came to the Library in 1960 after serving two years in the U.S. Army. He was
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George Stockton Earns 25-Year Service Award

George Stockton, senior electronic technician at the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS/BPH), received his 25-year Federal Service Award pin from Ruth Ann Stewart, assistant librarian for national programs, in 1988. Mr. Stockton has been with NLS/BPH since May 1976, and has served both the Engineering and Quality Assurance Sections.

Throughout his years at NLS/BPH, Mr. Stockton has been involved with production of high quality materials for patrons, both disc and cassette recorded books and the machines they are played on. Currently, his work is in the planning phase of production—helping to develop specifications and new designs for machines and keeping up with state-of-the-art techniques such as digital recording. Previously, he has been concerned with oversight of production phases, traveling to vendors to monitor production and testing products in the NLS/BPH laboratory he helped to design. He has received several quality increases for outstanding performance.

Mr. Stockton began his Federal service at the Pentagon in 1963. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1964 and served in Vietnam in 1966 and 1967, for which he received the Air Force Commendation Medal.

He came to NLS/BPH from the U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office. As an electronic technician, he performed underwater survey search operations for sunken vessels in the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans and the Mediterranean Sea and helped to develop new instruments for underwater study.

Henry Paris (left), chief of NLS/BPH Materials Development Division; George Stockton; Ruth Ann Stewart; and Frank Kurt Cylke, NLS/BPH director.

Victor Schmidt Completes 20 Years at NLS/BPH

Victor Schmidt, quality assurance specialist at the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS/BPH), recently received his 20-year Federal Service Award pin.

As a specialist for recorded products, Mr. Schmidt works with the contractors who produce talking books to make sure the books meet NLS/BPH quality standards. Producers send NLS/BPH first copies of their recorded books, and Mr. Schmidt reviews the cassettes before giving the producers the go-ahead for mass duplication.

Mr. Schmidt was born in San Diego, Calif., and moved frequently, as his father was in the Coast Guard. He graduated in 1968 from the Maryland School for the Blind in Baltimore and immediately began work at NLS/BPH, progressing from technical aid to quality assurance technician before his promotion to quality assurance specialist in 1988.

In his spare time, Mr. Schmidt enjoys science fiction, describing himself as a "trekker" and attending as many Star Trek and science fiction conventions as possible. He and his wife, Mary, have visited more than 300 such conventions since 1973. He also likes to "DX"—that is, to see what unusual radio and TV stations he can receive when atmospheric and weather conditions permit reception of signals from distant places.

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hired as a receiving and distribution clerk in CDS and two years later became a stock clerk in the same division. He joined CDS' data processing unit in 1968 as a digital computer operator and was promoted in 1974 to shift supervisor in the same unit. He became supervisor of the

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Dean *(Cont. from p. 123)*
CDS computer unit in 1976, the position he presently holds.

Mr. Dean has received numerous letters of commendation for his distinguished performance in the data processing operations of CDS.

An avid baseball player, Mr. Dean played baseball in the Charles County St. Mary's league from 1955 to 1972. He has played every position including pitcher, and was elected to the All Star Team every year in which he participated.

Anton Koyck Marks 20 Years of Service

Anton L.D.A. Koyck, a preliminary cataloger of the Preparatory Cataloging Section of the Shared Cataloging Division, was presented with a 20-year Federal Service Award pin by the chief of the Shared Cataloging Division, Michael H. Shelley. The ceremony was attended by assistant chief Hugo Christiansen, and by Mayumi Taniguchi and Edite Abolins, head and assistant head of the Preparatory Cataloging Section.

Mr. Koyck joined the Library of Congress in 1968 as a filer in the Italian Language Section of the Shared Cataloging Division. In 1971 he was reassigned to the Scandinavian Languages Section. When the Preparatory Cataloging Section was created in 1982 he joined the staff as a preliminary cataloger. In his present position, Mr. Koyck searches and creates or updates preliminary cataloging records in the Automated Process Information File.

With his language expertise, Mr. Koyck has made valuable contributions to the Library. His native tongue is Spanish and, as the son of Dutch parents, he learned Dutch at

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James P. Riley Retires

James P. Riley, executive director of the Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC) for more than 15 years, has retired from Federal employment to take a position as librarian at the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and the Family at the Dominican College Library, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Riley's decision was announced to members of the FLICC network by Ruth Ann Stewart, assistant librarian for national programs, in a letter dated March 17. Ms. Stewart also announced the appointment of Mary Berghaus Levering, chief, Network Division at the National Library service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, to serve as acting executive director of FLICC, effective March 20.

Mr. Riley joined the Library of Congress in January 1974 as executive secretary of the nine-year-old Federal Library Committee, as FLICC was known prior to 1984.

Concurrently, he was appointed chair of the National Libraries Task Force on Cooperative Activities, which was established in 1967 by the Library of Congress, the National Agricultural Library, and the National Library of Medicine to "improve access to the world's literature in all areas of human concern and scholarship, so that comprehensive access to the materials of learning can be afforded to all citizens of the United States."

Under Mr. Riley's guidance from 1974 to 1984, the Federal Library Committee focused on automation applications to library service, library planning and administration, and cooperative activities among Federal agencies and departments.

A major accomplishment during this tenure was the creation of the Federal Library and Information Network (FEDLINK).

FLICC has also through its working groups sponsored six national forums for the discussion of Federal information policies, and prepared policy statements on major Federal information issues.

As executive director of FLICC, Mr. Riley helped foster communication between FLICC and OCLC as well as other regional networks. He continued several national-level activities, including service on Library of Congress committees and the Navy's Advisory Committee on Naval History. Mr. Riley also participated in the Management and Planning (MAP) Committee of the Library of Congress and actively maintained contact with OCLC.

A native of Milwaukee, Wis., Mr. Riley first became interested in a library career while working as a Marquette University undergraduate at the Milwaukee Public Library, where he was a junior librarian. In 1952, he moved to the

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Arthur J. Lieb Retires, Receives 25-Year Award

Dr. Billington (left) presents a 25-year Federal Service Award to Arthur J. Lieb.

Arthur J. Lieb, executive officer for the Office of The Librarian, retired from Federal service on January 31. Librarian of Congress James H. Billington presented Mr. Lieb with his 25-year Federal Service Award pin on January 13.

A native of Detroit, Mr. Lieb received an undergraduate degree in music theory from Wayne State University and a master's degree in library science from the University of Michigan.

Mr. Lieb was selected for the Library's 1964 Annual Recruitment Program for Outstanding Library School Graduates.

After assignments in the Information Systems Office (now Automated Systems Office) and as a cataloger in the Descriptive Cataloging Division, Mr. Lieb was promoted in 1965 to executive assistant in the former Processing Department. In 1966 he was promoted to head, Shelflisting Section, Subject Cataloging Division, and for a decade managed a unit of 120 employees. During this time he oversaw an annual production increase of 126,000 titles in 1967 to 237,000 titles in 1971 with a staff increase of only 35 percent.

In 1976 Mr. Lieb was promoted to executive officer in the Office of The Librarian, the position he held until retirement.

During his tenure Mr. Lieb received several awards for suggestions for improved service and work performance.

From 1968 to 1975 Mr. Lieb served as treasurer, vice chairman, and chairman of the Potomac Technical Processing Librarians and in 1975 he was president of the University of Michigan Alumni Society. For more than 14 years he served on the Board of Directors of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union; he was president in 1972 and treasurer from 1973 to 1984.

In retirement Mr. Lieb plans to give full-time attention to his personal financial planning and consulting business. He also plans to continue to play songs of the American musical theater on the piano at some of the city's popular restaurants, sing with the Oratorio Society of Washington, and play as much tennis as time permits. He also plans to continue his directorship on the Board of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union.

Upon retirement Mr. Lieb presented the Library with a gift which included a letter of the composer Igor Stravinsky; three letters of the humorist, comic writer, and radio personality Goodman Ace; and an antique, hand-colored and painted transparency of a photograph of the Thomas Jefferson Building.

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home as his second language. He has also learned French, Italian, and German.

Mr. Koyck was born in Argentina and completed his studies in Buenos Aires. Interested in the foreign service, he joined the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the age of 18 and received five years of intensive training in diplomatic affairs. In 1945 he joined the Argentine Army, attaining the rank of first lieutenant in the Reserves. In 1953 he was appointed vice-consul in Amsterdam and, in 1960, secretary of the embassy in The Hague. Also, as an interpreter in both Spanish and Dutch he was a liaison officer between the Argentine and Dutch Governments. While in the Netherlands, he met and married his Texas-born wife. In 1961 Mr. Koyck was recalled by his government to Buenos Aires. Because of the Argentine economic and political situation, he resigned his diplomatic post in 1963 and traveled with his wife to the United States where they established a permanent residence. He became a U.S. citizen in 1966. Mr. Koyck worked in private industry

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and also served as a translator for the American Red Cross and for the Organization of American States before coming to the Library of Congress in 1968.

Mr. Koyck is an enthusiastic cultivator of tulips; every fall he plants about 4,000 tulip bulbs of different varieties and colors. In 1982, when Queen Beatrix and her husband Prince Claus of the Netherlands came to the United States on an official visit, the royal couple made a private visit to Mr. Koyck's home in Annandale, Va., to admire his beautiful tulip garden.

Penelope Tarpley Dies

Penelope Owen Tarpley, formerly a librarian and head of the House Annex Reference Center in the Congressional Reference Division, died of cancer in New York City on September 25, 1988. Mrs. Tarpley was the head librarian at the New York law firm of Patterson, Belknap, Webb and Tyler. She will be greatly missed by her friends in the Washington, D.C., area.

Riley *(Cont. from p. 124)*
Washington, D.C., area to attend Catholic University, from which he graduated with a master's degree in Library Science in 1956. He served in increasingly responsible positions at the Georgetown University Library from 1952 to 1958.

Mr. Riley's Federal service began at the Central Intelligence Agency, where he served as chief of branch libraries from 1958 to 1961. His early interest in library automation led him to the National Library of Medicine (NLM), where he served as the MEDLARS liaison officer from 1961 to 1962. For the next two years, he was assistant chief of the Library Services Division for the Federal Aviation Administration. He returned to NLM in 1965 as chief of the Technical Services Division, and in 1967 he became the deputy associate director for library operations at NLM.

Mr. Riley served university libraries as associate director of the University of Chicago Library from 1968 to 1971 and as university librarian at Marquette University from 1971 to 1974. He then returned to Federal service with the Federal Library Committee.

During his career, he received an Outstanding Performance Award from the Federal Aviation Administration in 1964, a Special Service Award from the National Library of Medicine in 1968, and a 25-year Federal Service Award from the Library of Congress in 1986.

Mr. Riley and his wife, the former Shirley Margaret Barron, have four daughters and three sons.

Annette Yountz Dies

Annette B. Yountz, a former secretary to the chief of the Financial Management Office, died on January 24.

Mrs. Yountz began her Federal career in 1955 in Sen. George W. Malone's office and came to the Library of Congress in 1959. She worked as a library assistant in the Science and Technology Division of Research Services from 1959 to 1961. In February 1961, she became the secretary to the chief, Financial Management, where she worked until her retirement in August 1986. Mrs. Yountz is best remembered as a notary public, a duty which she performed for 20 years.

In addition to her official duties, Mrs. Yountz had a special relationship as a friend and spiritual counselor to Library staff members dealing with the sickness and death of a family member. Mrs. Yountz called everyone "honey," even if she had just met them. She was active in the National Church of God. She is survived by her son, John Schafer Sr., her daughter-in-law, and three grandchildren.

Staff Activities

Linda Bartley, CONSER operations coordinator, and **Regina Reynolds,** assistant head, National Serials Data Program, both in the Serial Record Division, are co-authors of an article, "CONSER: Revolution and Evolution." The article is part of a special issue of the *Cataloging and Classification Quarterly* (vol. 8, nos. 3/4 1988) titled, "National and International Databases: Trends and Prospects." The article describes the development of the CONSER database and related activities that occurred between 1977 and 1986 that promoted CONSER's evolution from a project whose acronymn stood for Conversion of Serials to the program now designated as Cooperative Online Serials. The article also outlines the goals and objectives set forth in the CONSER plan in November 1986.

Jane Bortnick, assistant chief of the Science Policy Research Division of the Congressional Research Service (CRS), has been appointed a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Her citation from the AAAS reads: "For outstanding government service in support of the U.S. Congress in matters of Federal scientific and technical information policy." Ms. Bortnick has been a CRS employee for 14 years and specializes in information tech-

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nology policy. She has served on several Library-wide committees concerned with dissemination of information and library services.

Louis Fisher, senior specialist in separation of powers for the Congressional Research Service, presented a paper titled "Congressional Participation in the Treaty Process" for a conference held at the University of Syracuse Law School on March 10–11. On March 14 he spoke at a community forum, "President v. Congress: Accountability in War and Peace," sponsored by Empire State College in Rochester, N.Y.

Victor Marton, head, Information Section, Copyright Office, conducted a day-long session on copyright in November at the University of Tennessee Graduate School of Library and Information Science in Knoxville, Tenn.

Debra L. Newman, the Manuscript Division's specialist in Afro-American History and Culture, was invited to participate in a preliminary planning meeting on the preparation of a Harvard guide to Afro-American history and culture. The meeting was chaired by Nathan I. Huggins, director of Harvard's W. E. B. DuBois Institute for Afro-American Research. Dr. Newman, along with historians and bibliographers of the Afro-American experience including D. Dorothy Porter Wesley, discussed ideas for the scope and type of guide that would prove most useful to researchers.

Ralph Oman, Register of Copyrights, was in Geneva, Switzerland, for two meetings sponsored by the World Intellectual Property Organization—the Committee of Experts on Intellectual Property in Respect of Integrated Circuits, fourth Session (November 7–11), and the Preparatory Meeting for the Diplomatic Conference on the Adoption of a Treaty for Integrated Circuits (November 14–18). As head of the U.S. delegation, Mr. Oman delivered a paper outlining the U.S. position on the draft treaty.

Mr. Oman was also in New York City December 9, where he was the guest speaker at the Copyright Society's Luncheon Circle meeting at Sardi's Restaurant. He discussed the effects of U.S. adherence to the Berne Convention.

Marybeth Peters, policy planning advisor, Copyright Office, participated in a one-day working session in October in Dallas. The meeting was sponsored by the Copyright Clearance Center, Inc. Representatives from Apple Computer Co., Microsoft, McGraw Hill, AT&T, Springer Verlag, Stanford University, and the Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries attended. The topic was "Present and Future Implications of Electronic Storage and Dissemination of Copyrighted Materials."

Also in October, Ms. Peters gave a presentation on current developments in the Copyright Office to the annual meeting of the National Council of Intellectual Property Law Associations in Arlington, Va.

In November, Ms. Peters participated in the Practising Law Institute's 10th Annual Computer Law Institute in New York. The topic was "Registration of Computer Programs and Databases."

She also attended a Committee of Experts Meeting on the Establishment of an International Register of Audiovisual Works in Geneva, Switzerland, November 28–December 2. The meeting was sponsored by the World Intellectual Property Organization.

Eric Schwartz, Copyright Office policy planning advisor, participated in panel discussions on colorization issues at the meeting of the Copyright Society in New York City on October 20 and at the meeting of the New York Law School on October 27.

Richard W. Stephenson, specialist in American cartographic history, Geography and Map Division, is the author of an article titled, "America's First Federal Map Library," published in the inaugural issue of *Meridian,* the official journal of the Map and Geography Round Table of the American Library Association.

As early as the 1850s in the United States there was a growing demand in the scholarly community for the establishment of a central library in the government where geographic and cartographic publications could be collected and consulted. In memorializing Congress on this subject in 1853, the American Association for the Advancement of Science remarked, "There is not, in the United States, nor on this continent, a single collection of geographical materials which is even tolerably complete." It was not until 1897, however, that the situation was remedied with the establishment of the Hall of Maps and Charts (now the Geography and Map Division) in the Library of Congress. Mr. Stephenson's paper traces the need for a Federal repository for maps, atlases, and related materials, and the creation and early development of such a center within the administrative framework of the Library of Congress. Reprints of this paper are available upon request from the Library of Congress Geography and Map Division.

Staff Carpool Locator

Established carpool seeks rider by April 30. The route is along Van Dorn Street between Franconia Rd. and Route 395. On flexitime schedule, departing 6:15–6:30 a.m., arriving 6:45 a.m. Call John Gibbs, ext. 76488.

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Wednesday, April 19

☐ "Diversity and Unity in Mesoamerica," Bernd Fahmel. Talk sponsored by the Hispanic Cultural Society of the Library of Congress. LM 139, 12 noon.

Thursday, April 20

☐ "Transition at the Library of Congress: Debunking the Myths," Rhoda W. Canter, Associate Librarian for Management Services. LC Professional Association (LCPA). Mumford Room, 12 noon.

☐ French-Canadian Music. American Folklife Center Outdoor Concert Series. Neptune Plaza, 12 noon.

☐ Juilliard String Quartet. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Friday, April 21

☐ Juilliard String Quartet. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25

☐ "News before News: Short Wave Radio Listening," Judith Dixon, George Toth, and Peter Vankevich. LCPA. Room LM 642, 12:10 p.m.

Thursday, April 27

☐ "Performance Evaluation at the Library of Congress," Ralph Adams, personnel operations officer. LCPA. West Dining Room, 12:10 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

☐ "The Bibliothèque Nationale: A Conversation with Its Director, Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie," Center for the Book and LCPA. Introduced by Librarian of Congress James H. Billington. Mumford Room, 11:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

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